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THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : (a) Three.

(b) 1,320·40 acres.

(c) The total number of ryots living in all the three colonies is 266 and the number of Harijans among them is 174.

SRI P. G. MANICKAM : ஸார், இந்த காலனிகளை கூட்டுறவு முறையில் நடத்துவதற்கு சர்க்காரிடம் ஏதாவது உத்தேசம் உண்டா ?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : கூட்டுறவு முறையில் நடத்துவதற்கு சர்க்காருக்கு உத்தேசமிருக்கிறது.

Landless poor

* 190 Q.—SRI M. MUNI REDDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the number of landless poor that have applied for the assignment of lands in Hosur taluk, Salem district, during the period 1952 to 1956; and

(b) the number of persons that were granted lands and the total acreage so granted?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (a) 701.

(b) 565 persons and 4,278·25 acres.

SRI M. MUNI REDDI : May I know whether a large number of landless poor people of Krishnagiri taluk have applied for assignment of land in Hosur taluk, and if so, may I know how many have applied?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : I am not aware of that. The local officers will enquire into the position. There is a very quick drive going on in that taluk for the allotment of lands to the landless poor.

Landless poor

* 191 Q.—SRI C. MUTHIAH PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have issued any directions to assign poramboke lands to landless poor;

(b) whether the Government have received any representations recently from Sirkali public and the Harijans in particular that their request for assignment of poramboke lands particularly non-communal lands and in unobjectionable cases have been usually turned down by the local officials without even considering the merits of the cases;

(c) if so, the action taken thereon; and

(d) the number of persons evicted for occupying poramboke lands in Sirkali taluk during 1955 and 1956?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (a) Poramboke lands are lands used for communal purposes. The occupation of such lands is always treated as " prima facie " objectionable. However